- (1) The Board of Public Works may borrow money and incur indebtedness on behalf of the State of Maryland through a State loan to be known as the Water Supply Facilities Loan of 1988 in the total principal amount of \$3,000,000. This loan shall be evidenced by the issuance, sale, and delivery of State general obligation bonds authorized by a resolution of the Board of Public Works and issued, sold, and delivered in accordance with §§ 8-117 through 8-124 of the State Finance and Procurement Article and Article 31, § 22 of the Code.
- (2) The bonds to evidence this loan or installments of this loan may be sold as a single issue, or may be consolidated and sold as part of a single issue of bonds under § 8-122 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.
- (3) The cash proceeds of the sale of the bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer and first shall be applied to the payment of the expenses of issuing, selling, and delivering the bonds, unless funds for this purpose are otherwise provided, and then shall be credited on the books of the Comptroller and expended, on approval by the Board of Public Works, for the following public purposes, including any applicable architects' and engineers' fees: to be used by the Secretary of the Environment to provide financial assistance to State and local governmental entities for the purpose of assisting in the acquisition, construction, equipping, rehabilitation, and improvement of water supply facilities under the provisions of Chapter 306 of the Acts of 1982, as amended, and Chapter 10.17.12 of the Code of Maryland Regulations, as amended.
- (4) An annual State tax is imposed on all assessable property in the State in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds, as and when due and until paid in full. The principal shall be discharged within 15 years after the date of issue of the bonds.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1988.

Approved May 17, 1988.